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DIARY NOTES

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1. [REDACTED] asked me to furnish the Director with a copy of the instructions our telephone operators have when they receive a call from outside of the Agency asking for the extension of an employee. (I furnished the Director with such a memorandum and at the Deputies' Meeting on Friday he was very complimentary of the system.) 25X1A9a

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2. Matt Baird and his people gave me a presentation on the "Base Development Plan [REDACTED]" I asked them to do it over and as of now, Frank Ecker and Ben Ellington from the Bureau of the Budget are going [REDACTED] with Matt on Tuesday, 19 April. We will then brief them, as well as Bob Macy, on Thursday, 21 April, at 9:30 a.m. The idea here is, of course, to get their approval in principle for the conversion to a base of permanent construction and if there are any savings during the latter part of this year to get started on some of the construction. 25X1A6a

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3. Colonel Grogan telephoned me about a call he had received from Mr. Robert [REDACTED] of the Management Staff. Apparently, [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

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[REDACTED] also of the Management Staff, are writing a term paper in connection with a course which they are taking at American University. They propose to make an analysis of the amount of time Government employees take for coffee breaks, lunches, etc., and to use their observations of the Management Staff for this purpose. (I called [REDACTED] and told him that I took an extremely dim view of this matter and that he should talk to them right away and stop the whole thing. I also told him that if they wanted to appeal to me they, of course, could do so.) 25X1A9a

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4. At Matt Baird's request I agreed to speak for about twenty minutes at the Contingency Task Force Operations Course on the 2nd of May at 11:30 a.m. in Building [REDACTED]

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5. Bob Amory and I met with the Director and General Cabell to talk about the possibility of taking over the [REDACTED] for the Photographic Intelligence Center. The Director approved in principle and gave me the green light to go ahead and work out the necessary details. H

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6. I checked with [REDACTED] as to what progress he was making in giving me further recommendations concerning a replacement for Gordon Stewart. He said that he had had two inconclusive talks with Dick Bissell since we talked last. Apparently, I won't get anywhere on this until I talk to Dick Bissell myself, which I want to do as soon as he gets back from his trip.

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7. I talked with [REDACTED] and Matt Baird about the possibility of employing Bob [REDACTED], who will graduate from the College of William and Mary this summer. I asked Matt to make the necessary arrangements to give him the full series of tests which we would give to a JOT candidate. After this has been done we can decide whether he should be placed in the JOT Program, elsewhere in the Agency or not employed at all.

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8. Shef Edwards alerted me to the fact that some things in connection with Project [REDACTED] were not going well from a security point of view. He appeared to be somewhat concerned about [REDACTED] and I approved of his briefing J. C. King in full on anything that he (Shef) thought J. C. ought to know. I asked him specifically about whether he was concerned about [REDACTED] and he replied negatively and said that he thought Bill was doing a very good job.

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